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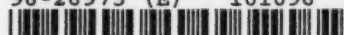
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LETTER DATED 10 OCTOBER 1996 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF ZIMBABWE TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT
OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the communiqué of the Summit of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Organ on Politics, Defence and Security, held at Luanda on 2 October 1996, and to request that it be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Machivenyika Tobias MAPURANGA
Ambassador
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Annex

Communiqué of the Summit of the Southern African Development
Community Organ on Politics, Defence and Security, held at
Luanda on 2 October 1996

1. The Summit of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Organ on Politics, Defence and Security took place at Luanda on 2 October 1996.
2. Participating in the Summit were:

Zimbabwe:	President Robert Gabriel Mugabe (Chairman)
Angola:	President José Eduardo dos Santos
Botswana:	President Ketumile Masire
Mozambique:	President Joaquim Chissano
Namibia:	President Sam Nujoma
Zambia:	President Frederick J. T. Chiluba
South Africa:	President Nelson Mandela
Swaziland:	Prime Minister B. S. Dlamini
Lesotho:	Deputy Prime Minister P. Mosisili
Mauritius:	Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, International and Regional Cooperation, Paul Raymond Berenger
Malawi:	Acting High Commissioner in Namibia, T. L. Maruwa
3. The Summit was briefed by the President of the Republic of Angola, José Eduardo dos Santos, on the status of the peace process under the terms of the 1994 Lusaka Protocol.
4. The Summit was also briefed on the situation regarding the overall Angolan peace process by Mr. Alioune Blondin Beye, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Angola.
5. The Summit expressed concern over the slow progress and apparent stalemate in the implementation of the Lusaka Protocol.
6. The Summit expressed deep regret over the absence of the União Nacional para a Independência Total de Angola (UNITA) leader, Mr. Jonas Savimbi, from the Summit of the SADC Organ on Politics, Defence and Security at this crucial time of the peace process. The Summit felt that Mr. Savimbi's presence would have

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contributed immensely to its understanding of UNITA concerns and anxieties, thereby reinvigorating the peace process.

7. The Summit called for an early high-level meeting between the Government of Angola and UNITA, in order to pave the way for the resolution of all outstanding issues, including the formation of the national army and a government of national unity and reconciliation in accordance with the provisions of the Lusaka Protocol.

8. The Summit made a strong appeal to UNITA to fulfil its commitments within the deadlines established by the Lusaka Protocol and Security Council resolution 864 (1993). In this regard, the Summit further appealed to all countries to refrain from any acts that may negatively affect the resolution of the Angolan conflict.

9. The Summit called on the international community to continue to provide material support to the peace process at this critical stage in order to facilitate the demobilization and integration exercises.

10. The Summit noted that the prevailing situation in Angola is the remaining major obstacle to total regional stability within the SADC region which is seriously hindering the joint development programmes of the region, and, in this context urged UNITA to commit itself to peace and democracy in Angola so as to contribute effectively to the establishment of a new era of peace and cooperation in southern Africa.

11. The Summit expressed its appreciation for the efforts of the Secretary-General, his Special Representative for Angola, the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM III) and the troika of observers in the implementation of the Lusaka Protocol.

12. The Summit resolved to send a team of five Ministers to New York to present the regional position on the Angola peace process to the Security Council.

13. The Summit called upon the Security Council at its next meeting on Angola to take into consideration the latest actions by UNITA and adopt measures, within the framework of resolution 864 (1993) which will oblige UNITA to respect fully and urgently the deadlines established by the Security Council.

14. The Summit expressed its gratitude to the Government and people of Angola for the warm hospitality extended to them and their delegations.
